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The federal election bill has again been sidetracked in the Senate.

Masonry, is no more of a secret organization than was the alliance party at Topeka this week.

The Wisconsin legislature elected W. F. Vilas, (democrat) to succeed Senator Spooner, in joint session yes

Now that the Senatorial cantast is over, we hope our law makers will now commence to redeem their pledges, to make better laws for Kan-

The wishes of the old soldiers of Kansas as represented by the many petitions to the Legislature for the re-election of Ingalis, was hardly "that your Kansas alliance is so closely controlled." treated with respect by the most of the alliance members.

borses, of the 7th cavalery, who were vania State alliance, one the strongest

Ingalls Defeated.

The latest news from Topeka be fore we go to press, shows that W. A. Peffer, editor of the Kansas Farmer was elected yestertlay by a vote of 101, to 58 for Ingalls. Thus it is practices which we have never been that the smartest statesman of Kansas, able to endorse, and I am surprised if not in the United States, is defeated to find that the Kansas alliance has by the Alliance:

The alliance of each legislative district sent three men to Topeka this week to watch over their membe to see that he did not get a chance to talk to, or be talked to by an outsider. Wherever he went, at least the of the biethien followed him even when he ate his meals. Does such things book like freedom of American citizens?

The Alliance Legislature at Topeka, are unseating as many republicans as possible; on Monday the filection committee reported, in favor of Reedy, of Woodson Co., (alliance) in place of Bayer, and Maxwell (alliscee) instead of Rood, of Marion Ce. It seems that the alliance is not sat tsfied with their legitimate majority to increase it, and throw out the republican members.

There is a disposition on the part of the democratic press to criticise of the democratic press to criticise government "control" now. The Senator Ingalls because, in his recent men who engineered that convention thereth in the Senate, he said: "If knew that, and they admitted in congant. Well, it may be, but no one states. I am in possession of facts directed. I was ready and bounded over that dead line as though I was to comprehend the American spirit of the there? which prove conclusively that the over that dead line as though I was southern alliance, or at least the leaders of the southern alliance, are standof "get there" which pervades it.

of silver will furnish free silver money to everybedy. It is a very grave selves from monopolies, railroads and to drink. thistake. Neither the Government color corp rations, are simply being nor private individuals will ever will cood-winked and deceived."—State ingly pay out money without receiving an equivalent therefor, and no amount of legislation will enable a wan to honestly acquire money without working for it. These are selfevident facts that seem to be over looked by some enthusiasts.

hewspapers, of which the New York while on the skirmish line, and in Herald is the most prominent, should coversation with General Hardy, (contry to make their editorial and news federate.) A Mississppi Doctor took treests as best they can. bolumns come hearer together, if they my army hat and gave me in return wish to make any converts. The an old whith wool hat, with the crown brief sketch of our views on: 'How other day the Herald printed a half worn out. After a few soldier like to make a success of homesteading bolumn editorial about the McKinley words with this Mississipi Dr. tariff faw having shut us out from the General Hardy ordered me to sit products of the world, and right on down on a camp stool. The Genral was booming. It is nonsense for any paper to misrepresent the new turiff might be asked. After considerate law. If by the time the Presidetial argument with the General and Dochave proved itself built the republican the same questions asked and the party will have to aboutler the blame, same threats of violence to scare me

TWO KINDS OF ALLIANCES.

President Livingstone, of New York. Opposed to the Southern Kind.

Hon. John Livingston, president of the New York state farmers' alliance, is regist red at the National. Mr. Livingstone was seen at the hotel today by a Journal reporter. He said that he had business in Chicago and thought that while he was so near to Kansas he would come out and see the Kansas legislature and get ac-quainted with the leading alliance

"Kansas just now, is attracting a great deal of attention," said he, "because of your senatorial fight and the prospective legislation by the alliance legislature. I have no special busi-hess here and am not here to take

associated with, not to say controlled by the southern alliance, which has ts headquarters in Georgia. New York State Farmers' alliance A collision on the Blue Valley Ry, has refused to endorse the wild subin eastern Kan., caused the death of treasury scheme, which is the main four soldiers and a large number of foundation of the southern alliance on their way to Ft. Riley, from Pine in the country, repudiated the Ocala Ridge. Both the New York and Pennsylvania alliances are therefore practically in dependent state organizations Our organizations have never been of the secret oath bound character of the southern organizations, which is too suggestive of southern methods and followed the style and the spirit of the south in that regard. Our suballiance meetings are always public and there is no secrecy whatever in our proceedings."

"Then, as president of the New York alliance, you do not endorse the late Ocala convention and the railroad and sub-treasury planks in the platform adopted there?" "No sir. The sub-treasury idea I

consider one of the wildest and most impracticable schemes ever proposed, and it would cause ruin to the country The railroad plank was the result of railroad influence and the creation of railroad lobbyists who went to Ocala as alliance officials and hood-winked the convention. The alliance has stockade and the dead line to the always advocated government ownership of railroads; it had been in all their platforms, and every alliance andidate and every alliance officer had been committed upon it. Yet that convention through the efforts of Colonel Livingston, of Georgia, (who is no relative of mine,) Dr. McCune, in the House, but resort te any means of Texas, and others, the railroad plank adopted there calls for "gov-ernment control" of railroads lirst, and if that is not successful, then government ownership. Government "control" means nothing, for we have

wheek, I would smite him under the in that shape they would secure railchange of policy, that with the plank butt end of his left car." The charge road help in the election of senators made that the language is incle- and other officers in certain southern, the sport to the spring as General ing in with the railroads, and the Some people seem to imagine that are good, who have gone into the alliance in good faith for the purpose of securing needed reforms of politiof securing needed reforms of politiwe had enough of good pure water cal conditions and protecting them-

ANDERSONVILLE.

Golby, Kansas, Jan. 28, 1891. Who was it that went behind the "Dead Line," at the Andersonville Prison, and placed the spout to the 'revidential Spring?

The editors of the big free trade Atlanta, Georgia, I was captured of stock. next page was a news item re-ag to the Spirity trade among two of your corps have been moving York marchants. With many to triday?" I refund to tell. The

positively refusing to tell

On the 10th day of August 1864, I was ushered into the Andersonville Prison, I was placed in the fourth thousand north of the north gate.

At that time there was about 3,200 prisoners in the prison. The poor heart broken starved soldiers were dying on all sides of me, so I busied myself in carrying water to them from the filthy creek that run through the prison, this water being so filthy that my modesty will not allow me to describe it.

In the meantime the sun was very hot and the crown of my hat being worn out I was compelled to cut off the tail of my coat to patch the crown of my hat. I kept busy carrying water to those that were not able to go to the creek for water themselves

My route to the creek was very crowded and hard to pass through, I had to pass the north gate and keep close to the dead line until I reached the creek

side of the dead line my attention of Chas. O. Rovohl Post No. 302 Q. A. R. was drawn to a spot of moist earth J. E. Lesh about the center of the space between J. E. Meglemre the stockade and the dead line, it A. Ketchum looked like some one had poured a J. B. Morrison pail of water all on one spot. I B. Garwell W. S. Boye stopped and watched it for a while H. H. Miller and could see it spread. In about J. P. Bayha one hour the pure water was running D. Bradbury down the hill into the creek. We could not get it because it was on and the following officers of Shiloh Circle No the other side of the dead line from us and it was certain death to cross that dead line without leave.

The thirsty soldiers seeing the pure clear water shouted Providential Spring! We believed it to be sent from God's own hand.

We drawed up a petition directed to General John H. Winder and Captain Wertz Commander of Andersonville Prison. In about half an hour General Winder and Captain Wertz came into the prison at the north gate and passed down between the spring. The poor starving soldiers shonting Providence has given us COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS. pure water. General Winder turned to the grard and said I am going to send in a spout and some barrels, when they come allow that man with the patch on his hat to cross the dead line and place the spout to the spring.

I stood anxiously waiting, and presently the great heavy gate opened and a negre-drove in a cart and came down the dead line with three idence, in explaining their stidden | barrels and a spout. The guard said here you'yankee with a patch on your hat come over the dead line and place over that dead line as though I was put that spout down to stay. The the barrels was placed one below the to the other. And from that time on we had enough of good pure water

This Providential Spring gave the prisoners new hope and saved many toonsand lives.

> JOHN E. MEGIEMER. Late Co. D 23, Mo. Vol.

Summers. The past few days of Springlika weather, has about taken away our fine snow, and let the buffalo

News is very scarce as the home steaders are all kept very close to their claims, taking care of their lin-

and crop raising in western Kansas.

We base our argument on the hypothesis that homesteaders com this, commence on the south side of st as it expects to be credited with into telling where those two corps the other 80 in grass) and early in the spring plant 15 or 20 rows of went on the 7th of August 1884, I cane all around the 80 you cultivate,

also 20 rows through the center east and west, you now have two 49 acre fields, 40 x 160 rods. Plant one field in corn and sow the other in small grain, changing the process every year, plant the corn with a check rower, "laying it by" the short way, north and south, cut the corn up in proper time leaving the stubble 12 or 18 inches long, so as to assist in holding the soil and snow, then sow in fall grain in proper time with a drill, run east and west across the idges, this will leave the surface in good shape for the harvester. List out the stubble field for corn in the fall, so as to eatch and hold the snow plent the corn in the spring with a lister splitting the ridges. The cane hedges will be a great protection to the crop. And last but not least show unflinching pluck and keep a

stiff upper lip.
ROUGH AND READY.

G. A. R. Instalation. On last Saturday evening January 24, 1891 at 8 o'click p. m., a private joint installation of Chas. O. R. wihl Post No. 302 G. A. R. and Shiloh Circle No. 25 Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, was held at I. O. O. F. Toward the last of August one hot afternoon as I was passing down the ing officer, duly installed the following officers

'or the ensuing year viz: 0. D Q. M. Serg. Sergt. Major

were also duly installed for the ensuing year Pres't Mrs. M. E. Summer Mrs. E. Barba Sec'y Chaplain Conductress Mrs. S. N. Lesh Mrs. Eva E. Canfiel

This was the greatest event in Grand Army Circles ever held in the city. After the it stalation, the members of the Post and Circl participated in a brilliant Camp Fire, which betokens a grand revival of Grand Army work of great interest to the old soldiers of Thoma County, Kansas, for the year 1891

J. P. BAYNA, Adjutant.

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